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## **NOTICE**

## MINERAL PATENT APPLICATION MORATORIUM APPLICATIONS TO BE RETURNED TO FILER

**Mineral Patent Moratorium:** Effective October 1, 1994, Congress imposed a moratorium on spending appropriated funds for the acceptance or processing of mineral patent applications that had not yet received First Half Final Certificate (FHFC) or were not in Washington, D. C. for Secretarial review of FHFC on or before September 30, 1994. Until the moratorium is lifted, the BLM will not accept any new applications.